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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

MENIN et al.

Application No.: 09/900,733

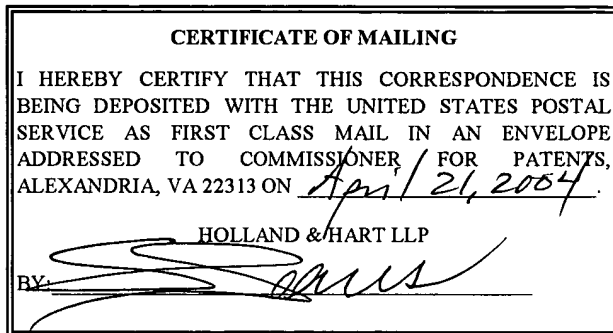
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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Dear Sir:

The assignee of the above-identified application, through its attorney, respectfully petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136(a) of two (2) months to respond to the Office Action mailed on November 21, 2003, with respect to the above-identified application, thereby extending the period for response from February 21, 2004 to April 21, 2004.

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$420.00 as payment for the extension fee. Please credit any overpayment or debit any underpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-2623.

Respectfully submitted,

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